

B-3387 - B-3395
202-236 E. Cross St. (North side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

1845-1885

The north side of the 200 block of E. Cross St. was developed in an easterly moving direction, beginning from the corner of William St. and moving easterly towards Riverside Ave. John T. Grindall built a row of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses at 202-210 E. Cross St. in the late 1840's, contemporaneously with the similar row he built to the north along William St. Of this group only 204 and 208 E. Cross St. retain their original exterior form; 202, 206, and 210 E. Cross St. have been enlarged and are now three stories in height with shed roofs and bracketed cornices. 212-222 E. Cross St. is a group of three story, mainly three bay wide brick houses (the exceptions are 214 and 216 which are only two bays wide), with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the early 1870's to served a mixed commercial/residential function, as they do today. The original Victorian storefront is still intact (though deteriorated) at 212 E. Cross St. and is noteworthy as being one of the few surviving Italianate-style storefronts in the area. At 224-232 E. Cross St. there is a group of two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the early 1880's by Nicholas Popplein. To the east, at 234-236 E. Cross St. is a pair of three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornice, built by Popplein in the same period.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

204 E. Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE
Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

B-3388

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

 DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two story plus attic brick house with gable roof was built in the 1840's by John T. Grindall, for whom Grindall St. is named, as part of a group of four such houses extending along this side of Cross St., 202-208 Cross St. The house has been covered with formstone.

The house is two and a half stories in height, 14' wide, and occupies a lot 60' deep. The house is two rooms deep and there is a two story high, three bay deep frame rear addition. The house is constructed in running bond, but the facade has been covered with formstone. The low-pitched gable roof has a two-tier brick cornice. There is a double rectangular chimney located along the west side of the front roof gable.

Although the original treatment of the door and window lintels and sills has been hidden by the formstone covering, it is apparent that the first and second story openings had segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums, and that the attic story windows had flat lintels. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. There is a Victorian four panel door set beneath a single light transom filled with a piece of stained glass. The house sits on a fairly high basement, the entrance being reached by four stone steps. A square-shaped coal opening is located to the left of the steps.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1845-49

BUILDER/ARCHITECT John T. Grindall

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1029-1035 William St.

This house, like its immediate neighbors, was built by Grindall as part of his development of the western section of the block bounded by William St., Cross St., Riverside Ave., and Grindall St. The house was sold soon after its completion to a John J. Weiss, a tailor who lived in this house in the 1850's and 1860's.¹

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber AWB 412, Folio 23; Baltimore City Directory, 1851, 1855-56, 1871

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 14' x 60'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

STREET & NUMBER

5/79
TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

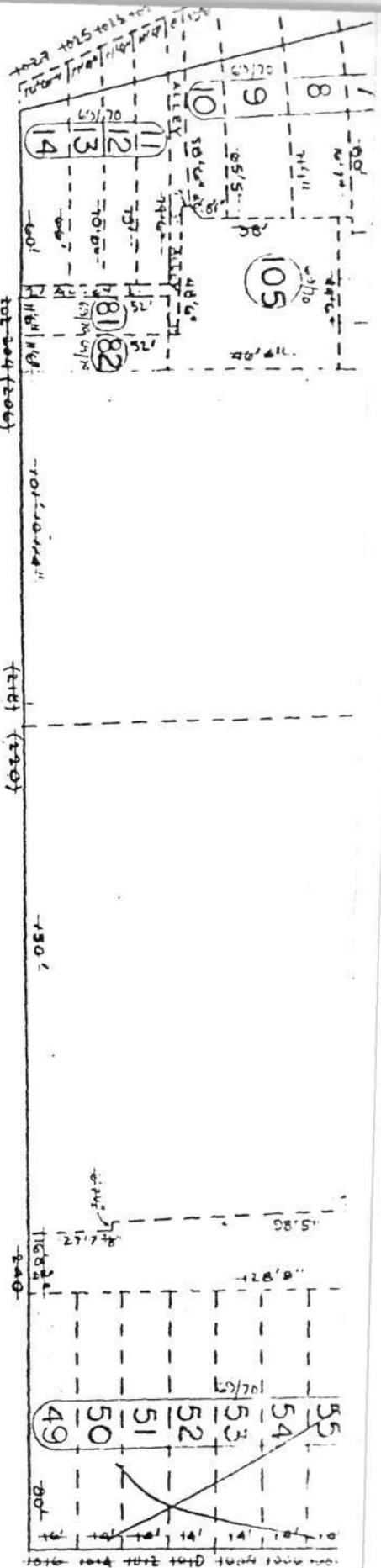
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Maryland 21204

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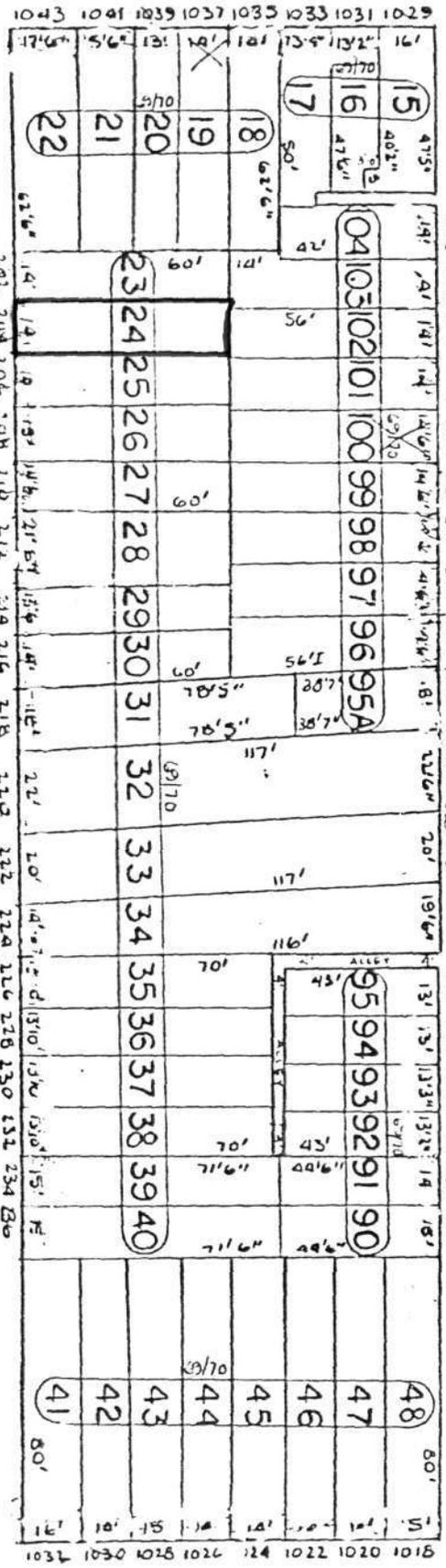
RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



WILLIAM

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E. CROSS B-3384



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RIVERSIDE

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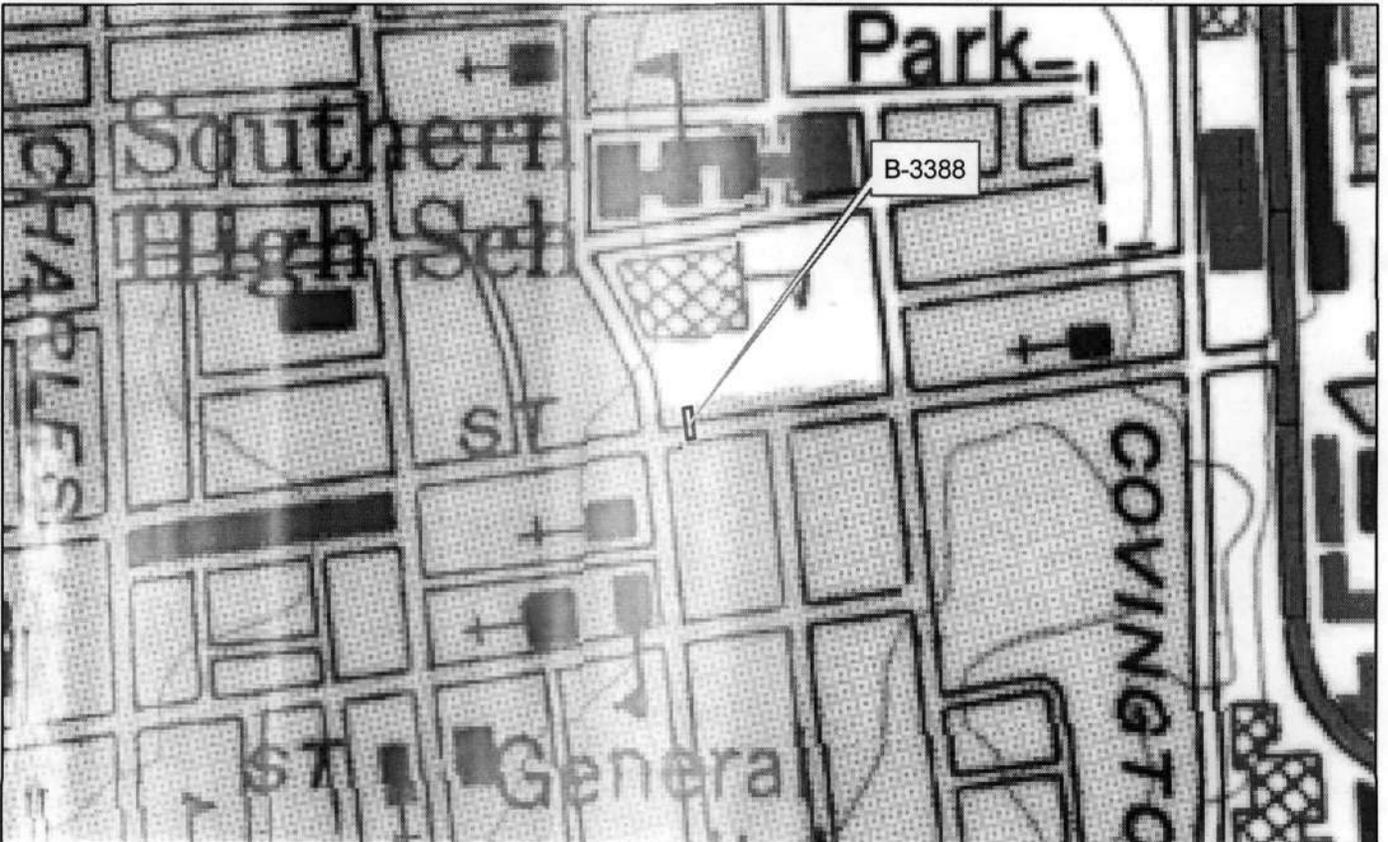
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SHEET IN SET-3
SHEET-3

24-1-937 For 1937/70

CITY OF

B-3388
204 E. Cross Street
Block 0937 Lot 024
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





B-3388 204 E. Cross St.

M.E.H. 5/79

South elevation